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Applicants:

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 13, 2006, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 14, 2006, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments.